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**STATUS INQUIRY**

Sir:

Please provide the undersigned with a statement regarding the above-mentioned patent application. This application was filed on June 22, 2001, and to date, applicant has not received the first office action.

Respectfully submitted,

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